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REDDING FIREBUG FLEES AS WOMAN APPROACHES BLAZE

Latest Incendiary Effort is Stone's Throw From Recent Outrage.

(Special to The Farmer)
Redding, Aug. 17.—Another incendiary fire—the fourth within a few months to startle the residents of Redding was discovered last night in the barn on the place near Pine Tree corner owned by Charles Gilbert, of Monroe and occupied by Mrs. Kate Faverneau and her daughter.

The two ladies had been away and were driving up to the barn on their return at 10 o'clock when they smelled smoke. A glance inside showed the blaze on the floor close to the main door. At the moment of the discovery they heard a commotion in the poultry pen at the further end of the barn, quickly followed by the noise made by someone's running from the end and out of the back door of the building. Mrs. Faverneau caught only a glimpse of the fleeing figure.

The fire had been started in a small pile of hay. It gave out a perceptible odor of kerosene. It had made only slight progress when discovered. The floor, beneath the blaze, was still wet and soaked from the recent rains.

Mrs. Faverneau began throwing water upon the fire and sent her daughter to give the alarm to Randolph Bradley, whose home is a short distance from the Faverneau home. It happened that Mr. Bradley, the owner of the property, was spending the evening with Mr. Bradley. The two hurried to the assistance of Mrs. Faverneau and soon they had the blaze under control. The only damage was to a small part of the floor and to the barn door. Had the incendiary placed his match to a considerable pile of hay, in close proximity to the scene of the fire, the destruction of the building surely would have followed.

Soon after the fire was extinguished, Deputy Sheriff Banks visited the premises and endeavored to track the person who ran from the barn when Mrs. Faverneau entered. In making his escape the culprit must have made his way through Mr. Bradley's orchard in the rear of the barn. The state police undertook to investigate this crime, but their search for the criminal was without result. It is understood they have given up the case.

A few rods from the Faverneau house is the house of Mrs. Catherine Sherwood, who was a victim of robbery and a felonious assault a few weeks ago. The state police undertook to investigate this crime, but their search for the criminal was without result. It is understood they have given up the case.

Last night's crime is the fourth case of supposed incendiarism in town within the last few months. All the owners in the town are very watchful. A town reward of \$500 for the firebug's detection is outstanding.

SIR FRANCIS BERTIE

Sir Francis Bertie, the British ambassador to France who has played a large part in bringing about the alliance of the two countries and who was recently elevated to the peerage by King George, was born seventy-one years ago today, August 17, 1844. His father was the sixth Earl of Abingdon, and his brother, Montagu Arthur Bertie, became the seventh holder of that title, which dates from 1882. The Bertie family has been prominent in England since the sixteenth century, when the title of baron was conferred upon one of the diplomat's ancestors. Sir Francis began his diplomatic career more than half a century ago, entering the British Foreign Office in 1862. In 1878 he went to Berlin as an attaché of a special embassy, and shortly afterward he performed another mission to the King of Saxony. In 1894 he became assistant Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. His first ambassadorial appointment was in 1903, when he went to Rome. Ten years ago he was transferred to Paris as British ambassador to the French republic. Although the treaty which resulted in the Anglo-French entente was signed a year before Sir Francis took up his residence in the Paris embassy, many problems remained to be solved to put the alliance between the ancient enemies on a thoroughly friendly footing. By his tact and diplomatic ability Sir Francis accomplished much toward bringing about that era of good feeling between Great Britain and France which has made the former the ally of the latter in the greatest war in history.

Contracts for 150,000,000 burials machines were placed by Great Britain in Calcutta.

MRS. O'ROURKE'S CRUELTY CHARGE LACKS EVIDENCE

Suffered From "Refined" Torture, She Says, But Was Not Beaten.

Mrs. Emma Reif O'Rourke must furnish further evidence of intolerable cruelty before she may obtain the divorce she seeks from her husband, James S. O'Rourke, the baseball player. Judge William S. Williams in his superior court yesterday afternoon heard Dr. F. J. Adams testify that he had treated Mrs. O'Rourke for a nervous trouble which the doctor said he believed was brought on by the neglect of her husband. Dr. Adams said Mrs. O'Rourke was in a very nervous condition and this condition was brought about because her husband had neglected to write to her or visit her.

Mr. O'Rourke, who is now playing shortstop and sometimes second base with the Columbus team of the American league, lives in Baltimore when he is not playing ball. The couple were playmates in childhood on the East Side and their marriage followed a school day romance. They were married in New York. Mr. O'Rourke played on the Yale university team during his college days and later with the Bridgeport team of the Connecticut league.

In her petition for divorce Mrs. O'Rourke alleges that her husband began to treat her cruelly soon after their marriage and that he has not lived with her since 1914.

Mrs. O'Rourke, a pretty woman, appeared in court yesterday, stylishly dressed. During the time Dr. Adams gave his testimony, yesterday, she remained in one of the anterooms of the court. Attorney Merritt, who represented her, told the court the legal authorities held that it was not necessary that a man beat or abuse his wife to establish intolerable cruelty but that the very fact that he neglected her, did not speak to her or persistently remained away from her, was cruelty of a refined sort which the law held as intolerable. Judge Williams said he did not feel he could grant the decree on the evidence offered and continued the hearing in order that Attorney Merritt might introduce more evidence.

NAVAL MILITIA OFF TO SEA FOR ACTIVE SERVICE

Third Division Embarks on Battleship Kentucky at New Haven.

Because there was delay in embarking the naval militia of Maine and Rhode Island the battleship Kentucky did not arrive at New Haven until afternoon to-day and in consequence the members of the Third division, the Naval Reserves of this city, did not get to sea until late this afternoon. The Reserves from Hartford, New Haven and Norwalk as well as those from Bridgeport were forced to remain on the dock all day waiting to embark. The Connecticut reserves take with them their band this year for the first time. The band has been enlisted as members of the Reserves.

The members gathered early this morning at the Armory and later marched to the railroad station, where the reserves entrained at 6:45. Every member had to "hustle his own baggage."

The Fifth division of Norwalk was met on the train. At the Elm City, G. T. H. was chief train conductor. The Second division of Hartford, and the Fourth Engineers' division of Hartford and New Haven.

Sixteen officers and 282 men boarded the Kentucky. The men had marched from the train to the dock, from which boats were dispatched to the battleship. The Kentucky lay off Branford Beach, five miles from shore.

The members of the Third division and the commanding officers, most of whom went on the cruise follow: Lieutenant commanding, Albert J. Merritt; ensign, Alfred C. Chippendale; master at arms, 1st class, Henry B. Briggs; boatswain, 1st class, Philip H. Mitchell; gunner's mate, 1st class, Patrick J. Doran; machinist, 1st class, Warren L. Reynolds; water tender, 1st class, William F. McCauley; yeoman, 1st class, Leslie R. Barlow; electrician, 1st class, Robert F. Axtell; wireless electrician, 1st class, Hubert Anderson; boatswain's mate, 2nd class, Thomas A. Synnot; gunner's mate 2nd class, Joseph W. Sigovitch; quartermaster, 2nd class, John J. Sigovitch; machinist's mate, 2nd class, Clarence S. Douglas; water tender, 2nd class, Robert E. Messner; coxswain, Frederick O. Schwenk; and Henry T. Cleary, gunner's mate, 3rd class, James O'Neill; first class seamen, Frank A. Ambruster, William Buckalew, William J. Jackson, Harold S. Kirk, Henry O'Neill, Arthur B. Phillips, Fred J. Schwenk, Clarence C. Taylor, Joseph F. Westman; seamen, 2nd class, Frederick W. Buckle, Earle Greene, William H. Gormley; hospital apprentice, Andrew T. Holinger; Carl A. V. Lindquist, Lloyd E. MacBride, Joseph F. Osborn, John E. Roberts, Stephen E. Sherwood, and Paul A. Shuster; seamen 3rd class, Carl L. Bues, Julius L. Bues, Joseph N. Carroll, Charles Ciero, Thomas C. Flynn, Joseph J. Flynn, Marshall P. Hanrahan, Norman B. Hartwell, Lewis E. Hogan, Joseph A. McGuire, Victor E. Petersen, Frank R. Pitey, George W. Pitey, James W. Reilly, Clarence A. Rhodes, Niles G. Skog, John G. Versey and John E. Walsh.

The Kentucky has a skeleton crew of regulars, but the volunteer jacks will work the ship while at sea and will drill in every part of warship routine. The Kentucky will sail from Tangier Sound later for Portland to drop the Maine detachment, thence to Newport to leave the Rhode Islanders, and thence to this port, arriving about August 23.

Two thousand Americans are serving in the Canadian contingent sent to Europe.

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Directors of Banking Institution Authorize Work of Building Committee

(Special to The Farmer.)

Stratford, Aug. 17.—At a meeting of the board of directors of the Stratford Trust Co., last evening, the building committee of the directorate was authorized to proceed with the construction of a building in accordance with plans outlined by them and by their architect, Warren R. Briggs. The structure will be erected at a cost of \$10,000. It will be a one story brick building, with limestone trimmings and granite foundation. The building committee includes Elliott W. Peck, Fred Starr Beardsley and S. W. Hubbell.

R. D. Pryde, a tennis and golf expert of New Haven, will lay out the golf links for the Watogue Country Club's new property, the Columbus Farm.

Mrs. Hannah Gutz of Hollister Heights was fined \$1 and costs today by Judge Howard Curtis for breach of the peace at her home last night. Constable Bassett made the arrest on neighbors' complaints.

The annual outing of the Dingbat club will take place at Hickory lodge, Cut Spring road, next Sunday. A climb will be served.

Miss Emma Allen, assistant town clerk, is enjoying two weeks' vacation in Long Island.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Miss Kathryn Blackman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Smith C. Blackman of 16 Tom Thumb street, announced her engagement to A. Brower Whitney yesterday afternoon in the particularly pretty way of sending flowers with her own and friends' cards attached to her most intimate friends. Miss Blackman sent old fashioned Colonial bouquets of lavender and pink sweet peas and asters. Both Miss Blackman and Mr. Whitney are graduates of the local high school of the class of 1913 and Mr. Whitney of Mt. Clair academy and New York university. Mr. Whitney is in the cost department of the U. M. C. Co.

PECK-FRETZ

Of much interest locally was the wedding yesterday morning in Oxville, a suburb of Philadelphia, of Mr. Charles Peck, son of Mrs. Eugene Peck of 2024 North avenue and Miss Florence Fretz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fretz. The wedding, which was very quietly carried out, because of the illness of the bride's father, was held at the Fretz home, Fretz Valley Pines, which has been in the family for several generations, having been purchased from the Indians by the bride's ancestors. Mr. and Mrs. Peck have gone to Sharon on their wedding trip where, with the groom's mother, they will spend the remainder of the summer. After November 1, they will be at home at 2024 North avenue this city. Mr. Peck is with the Bridgeport Brass Co.

RUSLING-VAN ALSTYNE

Mrs. Julie Shelton Van Alstyne, and Mr. John A. Rusling, head of the firm of Wilson & Rusling, will be married at St. John's Episcopal church on Thursday. The wedding will be a very quiet affair, attended only by the immediate families of the couple, but because of the prominence of both Mrs. Van Alstyne and Mr. Rusling there is much interest in the nuptials. The bride is a very active member

of the D. A. R., having for two years been corresponding secretary of the Mary Sullivan chapter.

ATKINS-SPENCER

A simple but pretty home wedding was held at the home of Mrs. Emma J. Spencer, 204 Wells street, at 6 o'clock last evening when her daughter, Miss Lillian Robie Spencer, was united in marriage to Clarence E. C. Atkins. Rev. Earl H. Kenyon, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, performed the ceremony in the presence of a small company of relatives and intimate friends of the couple. Miss Spencer wore a robe of Oriental lace with an underdress of embroidered net over ivory satin and carried a huge armful of Easter lilies tied with chiffon. The house was beautifully decorated with white hydrangeas and pale pink asters and the pink and white color scheme was also carried out at the wedding supper, served after the ceremony. Dr. and Mrs. Atkins left during the evening for an automobile trip through New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. Both the bride, who has been a special tutor in the public schools and the groom, who is a well known dentist of this city, are popular among a wide circle of friends who have wished them much happiness in their life together. The young couple received many handsome gifts in honor of the occasion.

BRIEF NEWS NOTES.

The "citizen soldiers" encamped at Plattsburg, N. Y., eat more than a ton of potatoes and 16 gallons of oilives a day.

Thomas McCormick, aged 42, was killed when struck by a huge coal scoop at South Plainfield, N. J.

An epidemic of typhoid fever has broken out among the prisoners confined on Hart's Island, New York harbor.

Italian newspapers declare that an officer of the Italian navy has discovered a method of locating submerged submarines.

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While "playing war" with his young brother August, Albert Norwart, aged 17, was shot and killed at his home at Westfield, Mass.

A war tax of 20 per cent. on the surplus shipping profits was ordered by the government of Denmark. This tax enables the country to dispense with a loan.

Negotiations opened by the Peruvian Government for a loan in New York city have been abandoned.

The Maryland Steel Co. plant at Sparrows Point, Md., went on double time in the rail department.

One year ago today the Serbians defeated the Austrians on the Jadar.